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X Copy of a Deed to
Moses Coburn Ap^{ee}
of the heirs of Benjamin
Cleveland Lots No 5 & 6
S. R. in Township No. 2. R.

6 July 1832

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Moses of Ben^d Cleveland
Cleveland

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Know all Men by these Presents, THAT

I whose name is undersigned, I send herewith affixed, appointed an AGENT by the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to make and execute conveyances, agreeably to a resolve of said Court passed the seventeenth day of June eighteen hundred and twenty — and pursuant to resolves of said Court passed the fourth day of March eighteen hundred and twenty eight, eighteenth day of February eighteen hundred and twenty nine, and eighth day of February eighteen hundred and thirty one —

do give, grant, convey and confirm, and by these presents in behalf of said Commonwealth, have given, granted, conveyed and confirmed unto ^{Major John Chapman} the heirs of Benjamin Cleveland — formerly a Soldier in the Regiment of Artillery in the Massachusetts line commanded by Col. Crane —

who enlisted as a Soldier into the American Army to serve during the revolutionary War with Great Britain, and who was returned as a part of the Massachusetts quota of said Army, and who did actually serve in said Army the full term of three years, and was honorably discharged, and to his heirs and assigns, all the right, title, and interest of said Commonwealth, in and unto a lot of land numbered Five and Six in the eighth range of lots — situate and lying in a township, in the County of Somerset — in the State of Maine, numbered four of the second range of townships north of Bingham's Kennebec Purchase —

said lot contains two hundred acres, bounded on the north by lots number five and six of the ninth range, on the east by lot number seven of the eighth range, on the south by lots number five and six of the seventh range, and on the west by lot number four of the eighth range — according to a plan of the survey of said township made by Eleazer Coburn — in the month of Autumn of — eighteen hundred and eighteen — and will more fully appear on reference being had to said plan now on file in the Land Office.

To Have and to Hold the aforegranted premises to the said ^{the heirs of said} ~~the heirs of said~~ ^{Major John Chapman} ~~Major John Chapman~~ his heirs and assigns, to his and their use and behoof forever. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed my seal this sixth — day of July — in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty two —

Signed, Sealed and Delivered }
in presence of

Joseph Foster
John S. Ling

Geo. W. Coffin
Copy

Then the above named ^{George W. Coffin} ~~George W. Coffin~~ appeared personally before me, and acknowledged the foregoing instrument by him subscribed, to be his free act and deed in his said capacity.

Edward D. Bangs Justice of the Peace.

State of New York }
County of Cortland } *SS.*

I Betsey Fish Daughter and heir at law to Benjamin Cleveland do upon oath testify and declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief Benjamin Cleveland aforesaid about or in the year 1777 enlisted into the Army of the American Revolution in the service of the State of Massachusetts on the continental establishment for the term of «During the War» And that He served in that Regiment of Massachusetts Artillery Commanded by Colonel Brane until the close of the war when he was honorably discharged. I further declare that the aforesaid Benjamin Cleveland was in several hard fought battles in the course of said service and in the early part of the war; particularly in that of Bunkerhill where he had a leg broken by the Enemies shot and his skull fractured by a blow with the Breech of a Musket causing hideous but Honorable Scars which He wore untill his death which Occured at Coeymans in the County of Albany and State of New York in August 1805. I further declare that I have never received a Certificate for the Quantity of Land promised on the part of the commonwealth of Massachusetts to said Benjamin Cleveland nor do I believe that he ever received it or any Commutation therefor.

Therefore I know all men by these presents that I Betsey Fish Aforesaid do hereby constitute and appoint Lewis Wakelee of Greenville in the State of New York to be my true and lawful attorney for me and in my name to Select from the Tract appropriated by the State of Massachusetts for the Satisfaction of Revolutionary Bounty Land Claims, such Lot or Lots as he shall think fit and proper and to receive for me and the other Heirs of ^{Ben^y} ~~Benjamin~~ Cleveland a Title or deed therefor.

In testimony Whereof I have herunto set my hand and seal this Twenty first day of April 1832.
I presence of Henry George Betsey ^{her} Fish
County of Cortland *SS.* Mark

Personally appeared before me Cornelius L. Fish a Justice of the Peace in and for the County of Cortland Betsey Fish Subscriber to the above Declaration who acknowledged the power of Attorney thereto Subjoined to be her free act and deed and likewise made solemn oath to the truth of the foregoing Declaration Dated this 21st Day of April 1832
Cornelius L. Fish Justice Peace

State of New York }
County of Courtland } SS

Personally appeared before me
Cornelius D. Fish a Justice of the peace in and for the County
of Courtland Sarah Cleveland Widow of Benjamin
Cleveland within named and made solemn oath to the
truth of the facts stated in the within Declaration as being
within her own personal knowledge and likewise that Betsey
Fish whose name is subscribed thereto, is his Daughter
and heir Dated this 21st Day of April 1832

Cornelius D. Fish Justice Peace

Sarah Cleveland
as certified

Power

Know all Men by these Presents that
We Reuben Fish and Betsey his wife Men at Law
to Benjamin Cleveland deceased formerly a Soldier
in the Massachusetts Line of the Army of the American
Revolution Do hereby constitute and appoint Lewis M. Kelley
Esq of the City of New York our true & lawful Attorney for
us and in our names to sell assign and convey to such
Person or Persons and for such sum or sums of money
as he shall see fit and proper all that certain piece
or parcel of Land situate in the County of Somerset
and State of Maine and being the amount of two hundred
acres of Land granted by the Commonwealth of Massachu-
setts to the Men of Benjamin Cleveland aforesaid for
his services in the Army of the Revolution And we do
hereby ratify and confirm whatever our said Attorney
shall or may lawfully do touching the premises

In Testimony whereof we have here-
unto set our hands and seals this 25th day of November
in the year 1833
Witness
Reuben Fish
Betsey Fish
W. J. Hopkins


I know all men by these presents that I Lewis
Wakely of the City of New York Attorney for Reuben
Fish and Betsey Fish, heirs at law of Benjamin Clear-
land, who was formerly a soldier in the Army of the Mas-
sachusetts Line of the army of the American Revolution
for and in consideration of the sum of Eighty Dollars to
me in hand paid by George W Coffin the receipt where-
of is hereby acknowledged have bargained and sold assigned
and conveyed unto the said George W Coffin all
the Right title interest claim and estate of the
said Reuben Fish and Betsey Fish of and to the
Lots or Parcel of Land granted by the State of Mas-
sachusetts to the heirs of the said Benjamin Clearland
for his services in the War of the Revolution and com-
prises two Hundred acres lying & being in the County
of Somerset and State of Maine to have and
to hold the said Lots or Parcels of Land with the
privileges and Appurtenances therunto belonging
unto the said George W Coffin his heirs and assigns
forever Given under my hand and seal
this tenth day of December 1833

In presence of
W. S. Sargent

Lewis Wakely
Atty for
Reuben Fish &
Betsey Fish

Boston 30th Dec 1879 For value received I hereby
assign to Almer Colburn of Bloomfield in the County
of Somerset and State of Maine all my right
title & interest to the within mentioned lot of
land

Geo. W. Coffin



Attestment

Albany July 12th 1832. Received of George W. Coffin Esq Land
Agent of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts a Deed of Two hundred
Acres of Land for the Use of Benjamin Cleveland in Township
N^o 4, 2^d Range, in the County of Somerset and State of Maine
Levi Wakeley